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responsible ESBs that will be competitive in terms of market price, quality, and delivery. If no such reasonable expectation exists, the contracting officer must—

- (i) For acquisitions \$25,000 or less, proceed in accordance with subpart 19.5, 19.8, or 19.13; or
- (ii) For acquisitions greater than \$25,000 and less than or equal to the ESB reserve amount, proceed in accordance with paragraph (b) of this section.
- (2) If the contracting officer proceeds with the ESB set-aside and receives a quotation from only one ESB at a reasonable price, the contracting officer must make the award. If there is no quote from an ESB, or the quote is not at a reasonable price, then the contracting officer must cancel the ESB set-aside and proceed in accordance with paragraph (c)(1)(i) or (ii) of this section.
- (d) Expanding small business participation in targeted industry categories. Each participating agency must develop and implement a time-phased strategy with incremental goals, including reporting on goal attainment. To the extent practicable, provisions that encourage and promote teaming and joint ventures must be considered. These provisions should permit small business firms to effectively compete for contracts that individual small businesses would be ineligible to compete for because of lack of production capacity or capability.

[65 FR 16276, Mar. 27, 2000, as amended at 65 FR 46057, July 26, 2000]

19.1008 Solicitation provisions.

- (a) Insert in full text the provision at 52.219–19, Small Business Concern Representation for the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program, in all solicitations in the four designated industry groups.
- (b) Insert in full text the provision at 52.219–20, Notice of Emerging Small Business Set-Aside, in all solicitations for emerging small businesses in accordance with 19.1007(c).
- (c) Insert in full text the provision at 52.219–21, Small Business Size Representation for Targeted Industry Categories under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program,

in all solicitations issued in each of the targeted industry categories under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program that are expected to result in a contract award in excess of \$25,000.

[55 FR 52793, Dec. 21, 1990. Redesignated and amended at 65 FR 16276, Mar. 27, 2000]

Subpart 19.11—Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns

SOURCE: 63 FR 35724, June 30, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

19.1101 General.

A price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged business concerns shall be applied as determined by the Department of Commerce (see 19.201(b)). Joint ventures may qualify provided the requirements set forth in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) are met.

19.1102 Applicability.

- (a) Use the price evaluation adjustment in competitive acquisitions in the authorized NAICS Industry Subsector.
- (b) Do not use the price evaluation adjustment in acquisitions—
- (1) That are less than or equal to the simplified acquisition threshold;
- (2) That are awarded pursuant to the 8(a) Program;
- (3) That are set aside for small business concerns;
- (4) That are set aside for HUBZone small business concerns;
- (5) Where price is not a selection factor so that a price evaluation adjustment would not be considered (e.g., architect/engineer acquisitions); or
- (6) Where all fair and reasonable offers are accepted (e.g., the award of multiple award schedule contracts).

 $[64\ FR\ 36223,\ July\ 2,\ 1999,\ as\ amended\ at\ 65\ FR\ 46057,\ July\ 26,\ 2000]$

19.1103 Procedures.

(a) Give offers from small disadvantaged business concerns a price evaluation adjustment by adding the factor determined by the Department of Commerce to all offers, except—

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- (1) Offers from small disadvantaged business concerns that have not waived the evaluation adjustment; or, if a price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged business concerns is authorized on a regional basis, offers from small disadvantaged business concerns, whose address is in such a region, that have not waived the evaluation adjustment;
- (2) An otherwise successful offer of eligible products under the Trade Agreements Act when the acquisition equals or exceeds the dollar threshold in 25.403;
- (3) An otherwise successful offer where application of the factor would be inconsistent with a Memorandum of Understanding or other international agreement with a foreign government;
- (4) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, an otherwise successful offer from a historically black college or university or minority institution; or
- (5) For DoD acquisitions, an otherwise successful offer of qualifying country end products (see DFARS 225.000-70 and 252.225-7001).
- (b) Apply the factor to a line item or a group of line items on which award may be made. Add other evaluation factors such as transportation costs or rent-free use of Government facilities to the offers before applying the price evaluation adjustment.
- (c) Do not evaluate offers using the price evaluation adjustment when it would cause award, as a result of this adjustment, to be made at a price that exceeds fair market price by more than the factor as determined by the Department of Commerce (see 19.202–6(a)).

[63 FR 35724, June 30, 1998, as amended at 63 FR 52427, Sept. 30, 1998; 64 FR 36223, July 2, 1999; 64 FR 72419, Dec. 27, 1999]

19.1104 Contract clause.

Insert the clause at 52.219–23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns, in solicitations and contracts when the circumstances in 19.1101 and 19.1102 apply. If a price evaluation adjustment is authorized on a regional basis, the clause shall be included in the solicitation even if the place of performance is outside an authorized region. The contracting officer shall in-

sert the authorized price evaluation adjustment factor. The clause shall be used with its Alternate I when the contracting officer determines that there are no small disadvantaged business manufacturers that can meet the requirements of the solicitation. The clause shall be used with its Alternate II when a price evaluation adjustment is authorized on a regional basis.

[63 FR 52427, Sept. 30, 1998, as amended at 64 FR 36223, July 2, 1999]

Subpart 19.12—Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program

SOURCE: 63 FR 36123, July 1, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

19.1201 General.

This subpart addresses the evaluation of the extent of participation of small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns in performance of contracts in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Subsectors as determined by the Department of Commerce (see 19.201(b)), and to the extent authorized by law. Two mechanisms are addressed in this subpart—

- (a) An evaluation factor or subfactor for the participation of SDB concerns in performance of the contract; and
- (b) An incentive subcontracting program for SDB concerns.

[63 FR 36123, July 1, 1998, as amended at 65 FR 46057, July 26, 2000]

19.1202 Evaluation factor or subfactor.

19.1202-1 General.

The extent of participation of SDB concerns in performance of the contract, in the NAICS Industry Subsector as determined by the Department of Commerce, and to the extent authorized by law, shall be evaluated consistent with this section. Participation in performance of the contract includes joint ventures, teaming arrangements, and subcontracts. Credit under the evaluation factor or subfactor is not available to SDB concerns that receive a price evaluation adjustment under Subpart 19.11. If an SDB concern waives the price evaluation adjustment